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WINSTON-SALEM SENTINEL  
Winston-Salem, North Carolina  
October 21, 1960

## Tobacco Tax Collections Rise

WASHINGTON—Tobacco users are bearing the brunt of the heavy increases in state excise tax collections, it is reported by Tobacco News, publication of The Tobacco Institute, Inc.

State excise tax collections on tobacco products increased 36.1 per cent from 1959 to 1960, according to U. S. Census Bureau figures, the publication said.

This was more than double the increase in general sales tax collections in the states, and four times greater than the increase for other heavily-taxed consumer products. General sales tax collections (on all types of goods and services) increased 16.4 per cent during the year. Gasoline tax collections were up 9 per cent. Alcoholic beverage tax collections increased 8.4 per cent.

UPI Wire Story  
October 20, 1960

Increases in state excise taxes are falling heaviest on the nation's smokers, TOBACCO NEWS said today.

The publication of The Tobacco Institute, Inc., said state excise tax collections on tobacco products increased 36.1 per cent from 1959 to 1960, compared to a 16.4 per cent rise in general sales tax collections. Meanwhile, collections of gasoline taxes rose 9 per cent and alcoholic beverages tax collections went up 8.4 per cent.

In all, the publication said, state governments in fiscal 1960 collected \$918.7 million in taxes on tobacco products. This came out to \$5.19 per capita.

TOBACCO NEWS also said state cigarette tax collections last year were seven times greater than in 1940 and 58 times greater than in 1930.

NEW YORK JOURNAL-AMERICAN  
New York, New York  
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## TOBACCO PUFFS A TAX CLOUD

WASHINGTON, Oct. 21.—The tobacco industry blew up a storm today about taxes.

State taxes on tobacco products puffed up 36.1 per cent from 1959 to 1960, said the Tobacco Institute. Overall state tax revenues rose 13.7 per cent in the same time, it said.

States collected \$5.19 taxes per capita on tobacco in fiscal 1960, the institute fumed, while total state property taxes were only \$3.43 per capita.

State cigaret tax collections last year," it added, "were 58 times greater than in 1958 and more than seven times greater than in 1940."

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Special to World-Telegram and Sun.

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